

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 616  
HOUSE BILL 960

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE MISUSE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION BY  
PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. A new section is added to Article 31 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes to read:

"§ 14-234.1. **Misuse of confidential information.**—(a) It is unlawful for any officer or employee of the State or an officer or an employee of any of its political subdivisions, in contemplation of official action by himself or by a governmental unit with which he is associated, or in reliance on information which was made known to him in his official capacity and which has not been made public, to commit any of the following acts:

- (1) acquire a pecuniary interest in any property, transaction, or enterprise or gain any pecuniary benefit which may be affected by such information or official action; or
  - (2) intentionally aid another to do any of the above acts.
- (b) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 14th day of July, 1987.